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OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

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Mr. Allen Wood American Electric Power 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215-2373

Dear Mr. Wood,

On September 3-4, 2009 the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and its engineering contractors conducted a coal combustion residual (CCR) site assessment at the Philip Sporn facility. The purpose of this visit was to assess the structural stability of the impoundments or other similar management units that contain "wet" handled CCRs. We thank you and your staff for your cooperation during the site visit. Subsequent to the site visit, EPA sent you a copy of the draft report evaluating the structural stability of the units at the Philip Sporn facility and requested that you submit comments on the factual accuracy of the draft report to EPA. Your comments were considered in the preparation of the final report.

The final report for the Philip Sporn facility is enclosed. This report includes a specific rating for each CCR management unit and recommendations and actions that our engineering contractors believe should be undertaken to ensure the stability of the CCR impoundment(s) located at the Sporn facility. We are aware as a result of your response to the Agency's Clean Water Act Section 308 Information Request letter that you have already agreed to take the actions noted in the recommendations in attached final report.

You should be aware that EPA will be posting the report for this facility on the Agency website shortly.

Sincerely,
/Matt Hale/, Director
Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery